

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

IN COMPLIANCE

With a resolution of the Senate of the 19th of January last, in relation to the relinquishment of certain Indian school lands.

JUNE 5, 1838.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

To the Senate of the United States :

Negotiations have been opened with the Osage and Delaware Indians, in compliance with the resolution of the Senate of the 19th of January last, for the relinquishment of certain school lands secured to them by treaty. These relinquishments have been obtained on the terms authorized by the resolution, and copies of them are herewith transmitted for the information of the Senate.

M. VAN BUREN.

WASHINGTON, June 1, 1838.

DEPARTMENT OF WAR,
June 1, 1838.

SIR : I have the honor to lay before you, for transmission to the Senate, a communication of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, accompanied by copies of the relinquishment, by the Osage and Delaware Indians, of the school lands selected for the first, under the treaty with them of June 2, 1825, and of those selected for the latter, under the supplemental treaty with them of 1829. These relinquishments have been obtained by negotiations opened with those Indians in pursuance of the resolution of the Senate of the 19th of January last.

Very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

J. R. POINSETT.

To the President of the United States.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Office Indian Affairs, May 30, 1838.

SIR: On the 19th of January last, the President was requested, by a resolution of the Senate, to disregard altogether the selections made of the Indian school lands, under the 6th article of the treaty of the 2d of June, 1825, with the Great and Little Osages, and the supplemental treaty with the Delawares of September 24, 1829; and to open negotiations with these Indians, to induce them to take two dollars per acre for said lands, or other tracts in lieu thereof, to be located on any unoccupied public land of the United States.

I have the honor to lay before you copies of the relinquishments by the Osages and Delawares, under date of the 7th of March and 2d of May last, of the lands assigned to them respectively, in the above cited treaties, for school purposes, for the consideration of two dollars per acre. I respectfully suggest that they be submitted to the President, for transmission to the Senate, if he think proper, for the information of that body.

Very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

C. A. HARRIS,

Commissioner.

Hon. J. R. POINSETT,

Secretary of War.

For and in consideration of two dollars per acre, allowed to us therefor by the United States, we, the chiefs and headmen of the Osage Indians, duly authorized to act for them, do relinquish all right and title to the fifty four sections of land provided to be set off for the support of schools and the education of children, in the 6th article of the treaty made by us with the United States, on the 2d day of June, 1825. Given under our hands, this seventh day of March, 1838.

Chiefs.

Maushauketah, or Wild Hare	his x mark.
Iahhetunza, L. Osage	his x mark.
Saunonopashe, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Ne-she-mak-ne, L. Osage	his x mark.
Wahshosa, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Wat-tsha-shinglth, L. Osage	his x mark.
Towwangohha, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Takahzabah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Shaboshinkah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Wonopshe, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Poukshishingah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Chahpahshingah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Monosopah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Shoutlahsaba, Pr. Osage	his x mark.

Headmen and Braves.

Wahconserah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Necolishah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Eskeommenne, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Temohah, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Wanoshe, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Moashaphshemoney, Pr. Osage	his x mark.
Kenonega, L. Osage	his x mark.
Moerpretsha, L. Osage	his x mark.
Couhwahtanegah, L. Osage	his x mark.

Interpreters.

Bateast Mongrain	his x mark.
Charles Mogra	his x mark.
Joseph Ontiah	his x mark.

Done in presence of—

S. P. Harris, *special agent.*

P. M. Papin,

Henry C. Clemons,

Thos. M. Harris.

For and in consideration of two dollars per acre, allowed to us therefor by the United States, we, the chiefs and headmen of the Delaware tribe of Indians, duly authorized to act for them, do relinquish all right and title to the thirty-six sections of land, provided to be set off for the support of schools and the education of children in the supplemental article to the treaty of October 3, 1818, negotiated September 24, 1829.

Given under our hands, this second day of May, 1838.

1st Chief, Captain Nahkoomin,	his x mark.
3d Chief, Novindagomin,	his x mark.
Captain Swannack,	his x mark.
Sackindeathin,	his x mark.
Sankocksa,	his x mark.
John Gray,	his x mark.
Cochatowa,	his x mark.
Tettongremon,	his x mark.
Paymitomen,	his x mark.
Piemscoot,	his x mark.
Lallpoter,	his x mark.

In presence of—

Richard W. Cummins, *U. S. Indian Agent.*

J. D. Blanchard.

Henry Tiblow, *Interpreter.*

Headman and Brines.

- Wahoonseer, Pr. Osage
- Necoliah, Pr. Osage
- Blackmon, Pr. Osage
- Tecoluh, Pr. Osage
- Washoe, Pr. Osage
- Mossahpashonny, Pr. Osage
- Kenonega, L. Osage
- Moopreeta, L. Osage
- Comwahshannah, L. Osage

- Interpreters.
- Barst Mountain
- Charles Moun
- Joseph Oatish

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- 1st Chief, Captain Nalkoonin
- 3d Chief, Novindakoonin
- Captain Swannack
- Sackindeshin
- Sankooksa
- John Gray
- Cochatowa
- Tellongremon
- Poyinomen
- Plamoc
- Lallpote

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